

# **Strategic Communications**

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# Sedgwick County COVID-19 Daily Update - July 22, 2020

The link to today's daily briefing can be found here: https://youtu.be/MPzmjJ29krk

#### **COVID-19 Overall Case Count**

Confirmed cases as of noon July 22, 2020
U.S. cases – Johns Hopkins University & Medicine
Kansas and counties cases – Kansas Department of Health & Environment

Sedgwick County cases - Sedgwick County Health Department

Location	Mond	day	Today	Percent Change	
United States	3,794,	,355	3,919,550	+ 3.30	
Kansas	23,3	34	24,104	+ 3.30	
Kansas Deaths	sas Deaths		308		
Sedgwick County	2,76	66	2,918	+5.5	
Periphery Counties					
Harvey: 127	Butler: 144	Cowley: 117	Sumner: 72	Reno: 179	

# **Sedgwick County COVID-19 Case Count**

Total COVID-19 Cases <sup>+</sup>	Total Recovered*	Total Deaths
2,918	1,104	33

<sup>\*</sup>A person is considered recovered from COVID-19 72 hours after symptoms stop or 10 days after symptoms start, whichever is longer.

# Sedgwick County Health Department Update

- More than 45,000 residents have been tested for COVID-19 in Sedgwick County and 236 residents are scheduled to be tested at the SCHD drive-through site.
  - The Sedgwick County Health Department is only testing symptomatic residents and certain high-priority professions at no cost.
  - Please call United Way of the Plains at 2-1-1 if you think you should be tested for the disease or if you have general questions about it.

# **Sedgwick County Updates**

<sup>+</sup>Sedgwick County's data reflects results from nasopharyngeal (NP) confirmed COVID-19 cases; the KDHE dashboard shows results from NP tests, antibody tests, and persons under investigation.

- There was a discussion of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES)
   Act.
  - The online portal is available for social services and health programs to apply for reimbursement. Cities and school districts will be contacted to submit information through a separate portal.
  - A <u>business needs survey</u> is due Friday this information will be used to design a plan to spend \$9.3 million from the State.
  - CARES spending totals \$5 million since late March.
    - \$420,000 for Sinochips lab work and testing
    - \$135,000 for temporary staff
    - \$150,000 for BKD to train County Finance
    - \$38,000 for an Emergency Management inventory management system
    - \$45,000 for a morgue cooler
    - \$64,000 for masks and gloves
    - \$21,000 for an intercom system for Corrections
- An off-agenda item to discuss the latest order from Dr. Minns came before Commissioners. Amendments include:
  - Children age 11 or under are exempt from the mask order; children age two and younger should not wear a mask because of the risk of suffocation.
  - Businesses licensed to sell alcohol for on premise consumption do not have to close by midnight.
  - Swimming pools are exempted from the order.
  - The order will begin at 12:01 a.m. Friday, July 24 and be active through Friday, Aug. 21, at 11:59 p.m. It will be revisited weekly.
  - The revised order will be available online today

#### **Prevention Measures**

- Wash your hands often with soap and water
- Maintain social distancing keep at least six feet of space between you and others who
  are not in your household
- Wear a face mask/covering if social distancing is not an option
- Cover all coughs and sneezes
- Stay home if you are ill

# Mental Health Support

- COMCARE of Sedgwick County is offering a Support Line for individuals who may be experiencing an elevation in mental health symptoms.
- Individuals may call (316) 660-1111 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- They'll receive resources, coping skill ideas, and encouragement to keep doing what they need to do to stay healthy, emotionally and physically.
- Residents who are experiencing a mental health crisis should call (316) 660-7500.

All questions from media should be directed to Public Information Officer Kate Flavin at (316) 660-9370 or <a href="mailto:kate.flavin@sedgwick.gov">kate.flavin@sedgwick.gov</a>.